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Climate Change Adaptation Planning: CDC's Climate-Ready Cities and States Initiative and Maryland Public Health Strategy for Climate Change

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Maryland's Climate Change Strategy

- Greenhouse Gas Reduction Plan
- Adaptation
 - Phase I: Sea-Level Rise and Coastal
 Storms
 - Phase II: Building Societal,
 Economic, and Ecological
 Resilience
 - Maryland Public Health Strategy for Climate Change

Key recommendations for communities*



Take action now to protect human habitat and infrastructure from future risks.



Minimize risks and shift to sustainable economies and investments.



Guarantee the safety and well-being of Maryland's citizens in times of foreseen and unforeseen risk.



Retain and expand forests, wetlands, and beaches to protect us from coastal flooding.

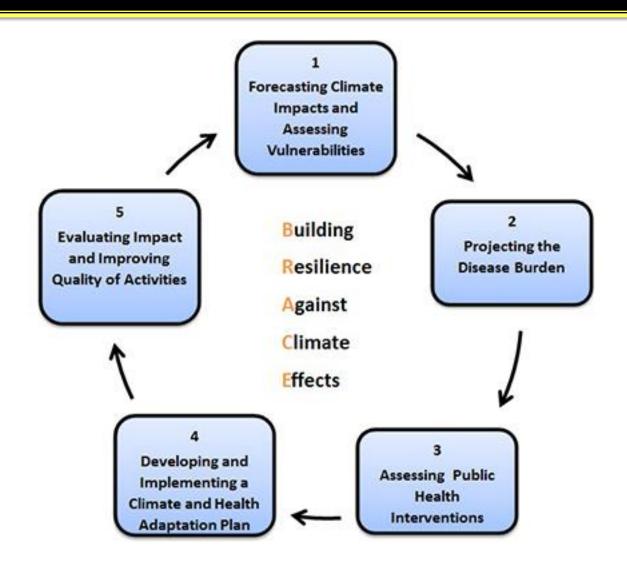


Give State and local governments the right tools to anticipate and plan for sea level rise and climate change.

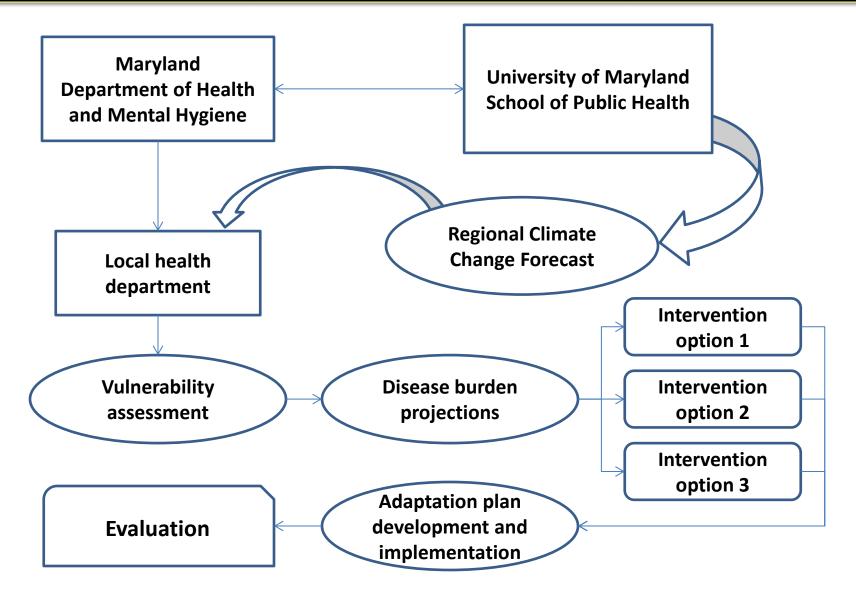
*Determined by the Maryland Commission on Climate Change

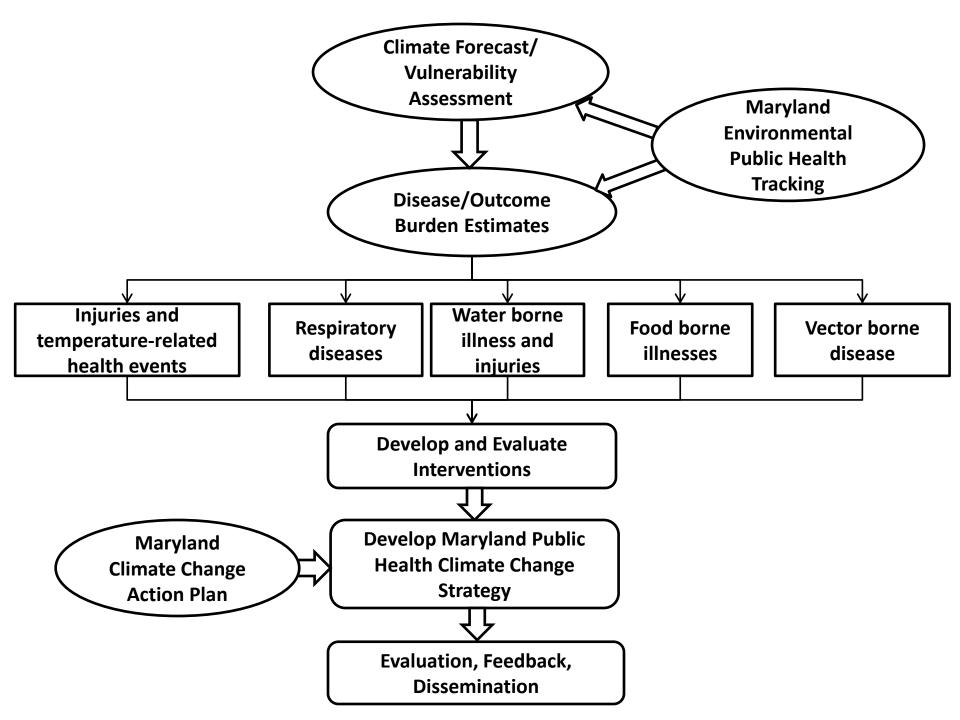


CDC's BRACE Framework



Maryland Public Health Strategy for Climate Change





Maryland Public Health Strategy: Components

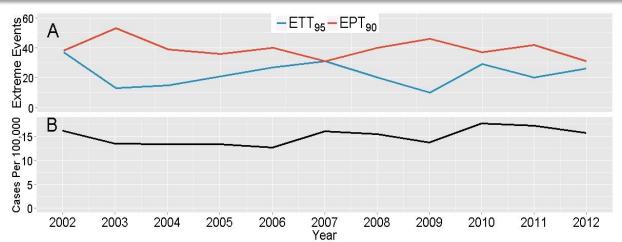
- Tools and Resources: Climate-Health Profile
- Evaluation of interventions:
 - Baltimore City, Prince George's County, Washington County, Wicomico County
- Evaluation of Outreach
 - Longitudinal survey of Maryland public attitudes with George Mason University

Current Results

Salmonellosis: Temporal Trends of Exceedance Events and Case Distribution by Season

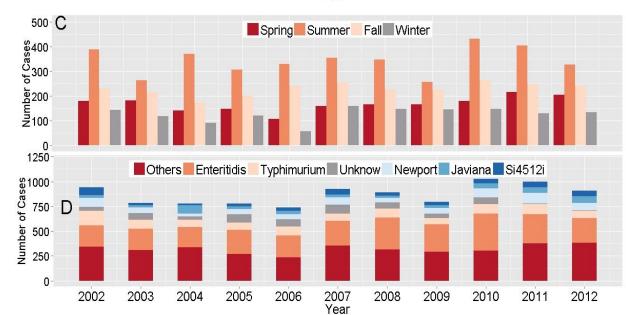
Extreme Temperature & Precipitation

Incidence Rate

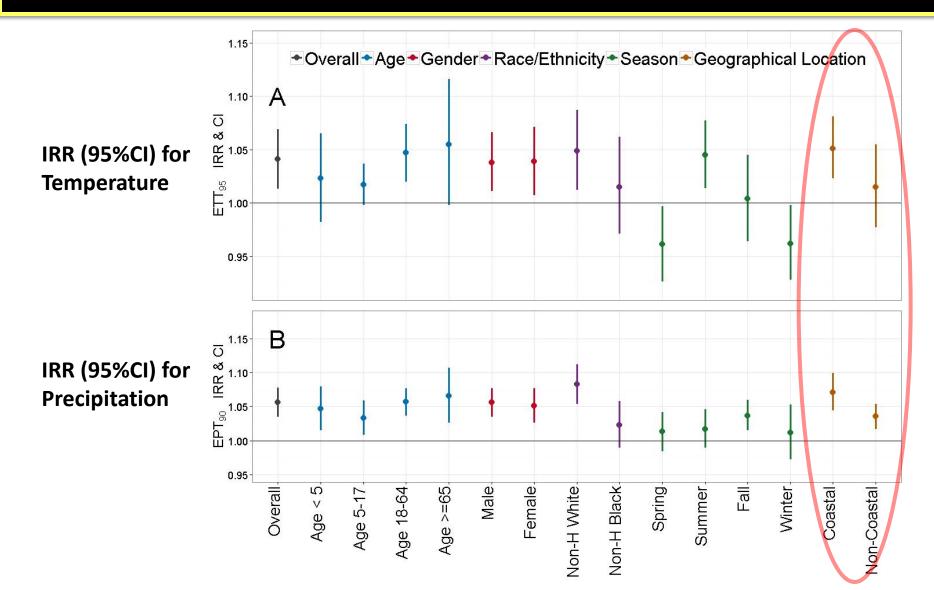


Cases by Season

Cases by Serotype



Salmonellosis: Incidence Rate Ratios w/ 95 % CI for Exposure to Extreme Events



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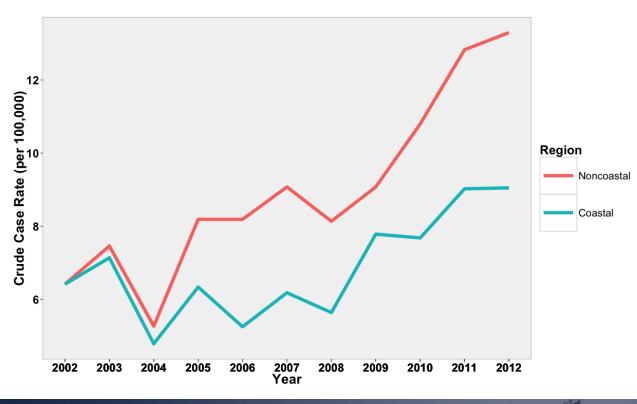
Characteristics		Extreme Temp. (ETT ₉₅)	Extreme Precip. (EPT ₉₀)
Overall Model		1.041[1.013-1.069]	1.056[1.035-1.078]
Season			
	Spring	0.961[0.926-0.997]	1.013[0.984-1.042]
	Summer	1.045[1.014-1.077]	1.017[0.989-1.046]
	Fall	1.004[0.964-1.045]	1.037[1.015-1.060]
	Winter	0.962[0.928-0.998]	1.012[0.972-1.053]
Geographical Location			
	Coastal Counties	1.051[1.023-1.081]	1.071[1.044-1.099]
	Non-Coastal Counties	1.015[0.977-1.055]	1.036[1.017-1.054]

Considerably larger effect observed in coastal counties compared to noncoastal counties

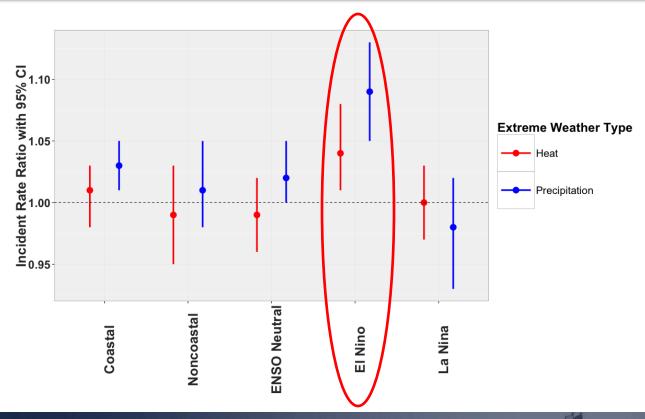
Vehicle Injury: Incidence Rate Ratios w/ 95% CI for Exposure to Extreme Events

Characteristics	Extreme Temp. (ETT ₉₅)	Extreme Precip. (EPT ₉₀)
Overall Model	1.01 [1.00-1.02]	1.23 [1.22-1.24]
Season		
Spring	1.05 [1.03, 1.07]	1.20 [1.18, 1.21]
Summer	1.09 [1.07, 1.10]	1.24 [1.22, 1.25]
Fall	0.88 [0.86, 0.90]	1.32 [1.31, 1.34]
Winter	0.97 [0.96, 0.99]	1.13 [1.12, 1.15]

Campylobacter Case Rate



Campylobacter Incident Rate Ratio



Evaluation and Implementation

- Results of the vulnerability assessment inform the local intervention strategies
- Evaluation of the strategies and the approach
- Survey of Maryland residents
- Implementation of approach & evaluation into overall State strategy

Outreach and Education

- Survey, evaluation critical to selection of messages
- Use of Environmental Public Health Tracking platform to support outreach and education – public health action

Summary

- Maryland's Public Health Strategy for Climate Change is an integral part of overall Maryland response to climate change
- The CDC BRACE framework provides a useful approach to the public health strategy
- Critical to use health data to inform decisionmaking and response

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